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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>UTAY ALAN M</u>				<u>AI</u>	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ALLIANCE DATA SYSTEMS CORP ADS]								(Cr	eck all app Direc	olicable)		o Issuer o Owner er (specify
(Last) (First) (Middle) 17655 WATERVIEW PARKWAY				3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 08/18/2009									A belov	below) below) EVP, CAO, Gen. Counsel, Secy			
(Street) DALLAS (City)			75252-8012 Zip)	2	4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)						Lin	e) <mark>X</mark> Forn Forn	ual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																	
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transac Date (Month/Da					Execution Date,		Transaction Disposed Code (Instr. 5)		ties Acquired (A) d Of (D) (Instr. 3,		(A) or 3, 4 and	Securi Benefi	icially d Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	of Indirect		
									Code	v	Amount (A) or (D)		Price	Transa	action(s) 3 and 4)		(IIISU. 4)
Common Stock 08/18/					/2009		S		18,790 D		\$57	13	7,338 ⁽¹⁾	D			
Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)																	
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security 3. Transaction Date Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		Date,		saction (Instr. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) Date Expiration Exercisable Date		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4) Amoun or Numbe of Title Shares		tr. 3	3. Price of Derivative Security Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4)	Ownersh Form: Direct (D or Indirec (I) (Instr.	Beneficial Ownership t (Instr. 4)		

Explanation of Responses:

1. The total number of securities beneficially owned includes: (a) 40,000 unrestricted shares; (b) 1,408 unvested shares from an original award of 4,141 time-based restricted stock units granted 2/21/07; (c) 2,912 unvested shares from an original award of 5,824 performance-based restricted stock units granted 2/21/07; (d) 40,160 unvested shares from an original award of 59,939 performance-based restricted stock units granted 4/28/08; (e) 32,858 unvested shares from an original award of 49,041 time-based restricted stock units granted 4/28/08; and (f) 20,000 unvested performance-based restricted stock units granted 2/23/09.

Remarks:

<u>Leigh Ann K. Epperson</u>, <u>Attorney in Fact</u>

08/19/2009

** Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

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